

Members present: Gordon, Hudson, Mauro, Oriola,  
Sosnow, Weiner, Winchester

Members absent: \_\_\_\_\_

Admin: Baughman, Bourgeois, Shea

Admin Absent: all present

Also: R. Fisher, R. Grastorf, F. Reinl, J. Rickert

Welcome

### I. Welcome

President Hudson called the Regular Meeting of the Niskayuna Board of Education to order at 7:07 p.m.

Dr. Baughman welcomed the public and publically congratulated the Van Antwerp Science Bowl Team. He then introduced Luke Rakoczy, Van Antwerp Middle School Principal.

Principal Rakoczy summarized the accomplishments of the National Science Bowl team and introduced the team of students as well as their coach and Van Antwerp seventh grade Science Teacher, Mrs. Connie Soron.

Mrs. Soron and the students detailed the weekend's competition events. This is the fifth straight year the team has qualified at the National level. The Van Antwerp Middle School was presented with a check for \$500 by the US Department of Energy, sponsor of the event.

Science Department Director, Jackie Caresse, further presented Connie Soron with a gift for her dedication to the Team.

### II. Reports

A. Superintendent Baughman: welcomed the public and also publically congratulated the Van Antwerp Science Bowl team; the H1N1 virus threat has been reduced; CAPSBA Annual Dinner meeting will be held Thursday, May 21 at 6PM; the Board will review the proposed 2009-2010 meeting schedule which the Board hopes to approve the first BOE meeting in June; final reminder to the public that the 2009-2010 budget vote will be held May 19 from 7AM-9PM at the Niskayuna High School gym.

B. The Board was represented by one or more members at the following: tour of NCSD/BOCES classrooms; Tobacco-Free Policy Committee meeting; Glenclyff, Hillside, Iroquois, NHS and Van Antwerp PTO meetings; Niska-Day parade; modified baseball games; elementary, middle school and high school musical concerts; crew competition; Java Jive.

C. Second-grade students from Glenclyff Elementary School presented a singing demonstration to the Board of a variety of occupations.

D. Garrett Hamlin, Lead Architect of the Thomas Group and George Weingartner, Construction Manager of Sano Rubin, provided the Board with updates on the Capital Building Project.

Reports

Superintendent Report

Board Reports

Students First Presentation - Glenclyff

Capital Project Update

### III. Community Comments

There were no community comments.

Community Comments

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Recommended Motion: Move that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the following personnel actions:

\*= emergency conditional appointment pending State Education fingerprint clearance

Consent Agenda

**IV. Consent Agenda**

Mr. Winchester moved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the actions recommended in the consent agenda of the item(s) listed below:

- A. ...minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 5, 2009 per ASM IV, A...
- B. ...the following personnel actions per ASM IV, B...

**A. Appointment – Non-Instructional – Permanent Status**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Ware-Walker, Carol	CA/Hillside	3/26/09
Staulters, Terri	CA/Glencliff	4/20/09

Ware-Walker  
Staulters

**B. Appointment of Approved Staff – These staff have received fingerprint clearance from SED**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Anderson, Stephanie	Substitute Teacher
Babera, Lauren	Substitute Psychologist
Bigness, Jeremy	Substitute Teacher
Bishop, Rosemary	Substitute Teacher
Brar, Raman	Substitute Teacher
Burns, Jillian	Substitute Teacher
Burton, Shelby	Substitute Teacher
Costello, John	Substitute Teacher
DeCiero, Dane	Substitute Teacher
Dederick, Caitlin	Substitute Teacher
DeLorenzo, Michele	Substitute Teacher
DiSotto, Daniel	Substitute Teacher
Dongelewic, Sharon	Substitute Teacher
Ferrara, Kathleen	Substitute Teacher
Guldenstern, Amanda	Substitute Teacher
Guyer, Jesse	Substitute Teacher
Halley, Meghan	Substitute Teacher
Hazen, Alicia	Substitute Teacher
Helton, Nicholas	Substitute Teacher
Hinsdill, Gayle	Substitute Teacher
Lamaruggine, Angela	Substitute Teacher
Lopez, Steven	Substitute Teacher
Maloney, Lisa	Substitute Teacher
Martin, Jeffrey	Substitute Teacher
Mason, Jessica	Substitute Teacher
Mohammed, Shah	Substitute Teacher
Muller, Angela	Substitute Teacher
O'Neill, Timothy	Substitute Teacher
Parker, Amy	Substitute Teacher
Partridge, Rebecca	Substitute Teacher
Primeau, Zachary	Substitute Teacher
Rempe, Megan	Substitute Teacher
Salmon, Jessica	Substitute Teacher
Smith, Robyn	Substitute Teacher
Steele, Julie	Substitute Teacher
Vanderpoel, Nalene	Substitute Teacher
Wilson, Brett	Substitute Teacher
Zimmerman, Jennifer	Substitute Teacher

Staff Having  
Received NYSED  
Fingerprint  
Clearance (1/28/08-  
5/18/09)

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**C. Reappointment of Emergency Conditional Staff – 9/1/08 – 5/18/09 These staff have not been cleared by SED**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Calicchia, Carl	Substitute Teacher
Clark, Matthew	Substitute Teacher
Davies, Erin	Substitute Teacher
Foster, Galen	Substitute Teacher
Fruscione, Kate	Substitute Teacher
Fusco, Nicole	Substitute Teacher
Gill, Patrick	Substitute Teacher
Holden, Matthew	Substitute Teacher
Johnson, Gerald	Substitute Teacher
Nakhla, Adly	Substitute Teacher
Rappold, Amanda	Substitute Teacher
Sayward, Kelly	Substitute Teacher
Young, Daniel	Substitute Teacher

**D. Resignation – Instructional**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Johnson, Shayne	Speech/Lang. Pathologist	6/26/09

**E. Termination - Instructional**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Klahr, Danielle	TA/Iroquois	5/19/09

Staff Awaiting  
 NYSED Fingerprint  
 Clearance (1/28/08-  
 5/18/09)

Johnson

Klahr

- C. ...award the 2009-2010 HVAC Filters Co-Op bid to Oak Air, LLC for an estimated annual amount of \$9,632.65 as per ASM IV, C...
- ...award the 2009-2010 School Bus Brake Parts bid to ASI Truck Parts, Inc. for an estimated annual total of \$23,000 as per ASM IV, C...
- ...award the 2009-2010 Misc. Auto/Bus Parts Co-Op Bid to Schenectady Unit Parts for an estimated annual total of \$19,669.34 as per ASM IV, C...

Award of Bids –

- HVAC Filters
- School Bus Brake Parts
- Misc Bus Parts

- D. ...appoint the attached (*Attachment #1*), named individuals to act as permanent Election Inspectors and Assistant Election Clerks of said Annual Budget Vote as per ASM IV, D.

Appoint Election  
 Clerks/ Inspectors

Mrs. Gordon seconded. Carried 7-0.

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**V. Instruction**

- A. Mrs. Oriola moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the adoption of *Algebra 2* and *Trigonometry* for use in Math 3R Course as per ASM V-A. Mrs. Sosnow seconded. Carried 6-0-1.

**VI. Business**

- A. The Board discussed updates on the Capital Project finances.
- B. Mr. Winchester moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve a refund from the tax certiorari reserve in the amount of \$45,122.71 for 2008 due to a reduction in the assessed value of tax map parcel 60.-1-11.11 owned by MSF Niskayuna, LLC as per ASM VI, B. Mrs. Sosnow seconded. Carried 7-0.

**VII. Personnel**

**VIII. General**

**IX. Other**

**X. Executive Session**

Mr. Weiner moved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, convene to Executive Session to discuss items related to CSE, CPSE and 504 Recommendations, specific personnel, contracts and legal matters. Mr. Winchester seconded. Carried 7-0.

- XI. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:36 p.m.

- XII. Mr. Winchester moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, authorize the recommendations of the CSE, CPSE and 504 Committee and agreed-upon amendments and approve Executive Session minutes of *May 5, 2009*. Mrs. Oriola seconded. Carried 7-0.

Mr. Weiner moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, adopt the attached resolution (*Attachment #2*) as it relates to an Impartial Hearing Officer Decision. Mr. Winchester seconded. Carried 7-0.

- XIII. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Instruction

Adopt Texts

Business

Capital Project  
 Finances

Approve Tax Cert.  
 Refund

Personnel

General

Other

Executive Session

Adjourn

Reconvene

Authorize  
 Recommendations–  
 CSE, CPSE, 504 &  
 Approve ES Minutes

Adopt Resolution –  
 Hearing Officer  
 Decision

Adjourn

